

# Public Notice

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**Reply To:  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
Attn: CEMVS-OD-F  
1222 Spruce Street  
St. Louis, Missouri 63103-2833**

**Public Notice No.**

**P-2621**

**Public Notice Date**

**April 6, 2007**

**Expiration Date**

**April 27, 2007**

**Postmaster Please Post Conspicuously Until:**

Regulatory Branch  
Mississippi River (P-2621)  
File Number: MVS-2006-911

Interested parties are hereby notified that an application has been received for a Department of the Army permit for certain work in waters of the United States, as described below and shown on the attached maps.

**COMMENTS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** Comments on the described work should reference the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers File Number shown above and must reach this office no later than the above expiration date of the Public Notice to become part of the record and be considered in the decision. Comments should be mailed to the following address:

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
(Regulatory Branch)  
1222 Spruce Street  
St. Louis, Missouri 63103-2833  
ATTN: Linda Werdebaugh (OD-F)

**APPLICANT:** Mr. Douglas Sansone, Sansone Group, 120 South Central, Suite 100, St. Louis, Missouri 63105, (314-727-6664). The Agent is SCI Engineering, Inc., Ms. Jane Farrington, 650 Pierce Boulevard, O'Fallon, Illinois 62269, 618-624-6969.

**LOCATION:** The project is located on the right descending bank adjacent to Apple Island along Mississippi River mile 228.6. Specifically, the project is located in Section 4, Township 47 North, Range 4 East, near Kampville, St. Charles County, Missouri. (See Attached Location Maps).

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The applicant requests permission to construct approximately 1.25 miles of additional levees on his existing hunt club. The constructed levees would provide additional inundated areas to promote waterfowl habitat and hunting opportunities. The levees would be constructed from within the footprint of existing agricultural crop land. All borrow material would be obtained from within the already disturbed agricultural fields. The footprint of the levees would impact approximately 10 acres of wetlands that are currently disturbed by farming practices on an annual basis. The applicant proposes to offset impacts by perpetually setting aside 10.5 acres of adjacent agricultural land and allowing it to return to an undisturbed natural wetland. The remainder of the area within the existing and constructed levee area would continue to be managed for wildlife food plots, moist soil management and hunting purposes.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** Additional information may be obtained by contacting Linda Werdebaugh, Rivers Project Manager, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at (314) 331-8632. Inquiries may also be sent by electronic facsimile to (314) 331-8741 or at electronic mail address: [Linda.C.Werdebaugh@mvs02.usace.army.mil](mailto:Linda.C.Werdebaugh@mvs02.usace.army.mil).

**AUTHORITY:** This permit will be processed under the provisions of Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344).

**WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION:** The project plans have been submitted to the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, Water Protection Program for state certification of the proposed work in accordance with Section 401 of the Clean Water Act. The certification is requested as of the date of this Public Notice, and if issued, will express the Agency's opinion that the proposed activities will not violate applicable water quality standards. Written comments concerning possible impacts to waters of Missouri should be addressed to: Water Protection Program, Post Office Box 176, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102-0176, with a copy provided to the Corps of Engineers.

**SECTION 404 (b)(1) EVALUATION:** The impact of the activity on the public interest will be evaluated in accordance with the Environmental Protection Agency guidelines pursuant to Section 404 (b)(1) of the Clean Water Act.

**PUBLIC HEARING:** Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held to consider this application. Request for public hearings shall state, with particularity, the reasons for holding the public hearing.

**ENDANGERED SPECIES:** The proposed project is within the range of the endangered Indiana bat (**Myotis sodalis**), Gray bat (**Myotis grisescens**), Higgin's eye pearly mussel (**Lampsilis higginsii**), Decurrent false aster (**Boltonia decurrens**), and the threatened Bald eagle (**Haliaeetus leucocephalus**). A preliminary determination, in compliance with the Endangered Species Act as amended, has been made that this proposed activity will not affect species designated as threatened or endangered, or adversely affect critical habitat. In order to complete our evaluation, written comments are hereby solicited from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and other interested agencies to ascertain any potential impacts upon a listed species or their critical habitat.

**CULTURAL RESOURCES:** The St. Louis District will evaluate information provided by the State Historic Preservation Officer and the public in response to this public notice and we may conduct, or require a reconnaissance survey of the project area.

**EVALUATION:** The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact including cumulative impacts of the described activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefit that may reasonably be expected to accrue from the described activity must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors, which may be relevant to the described activity will be considered including the cumulative effects thereof; among those are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, historic properties, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, flood plain values, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion, and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production, mineral needs, consideration of property ownership and, in general, the needs and welfare of the people.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public; Federal, state, and local agencies and officials; Indian Tribes; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of these proposed activities. Any comments received will be considered by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to determine whether to issue, modify, condition or deny a permit for this proposal. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity.

  
 DANNY D. MCCLENDON  
Chief, Regulatory Branch

Attachments

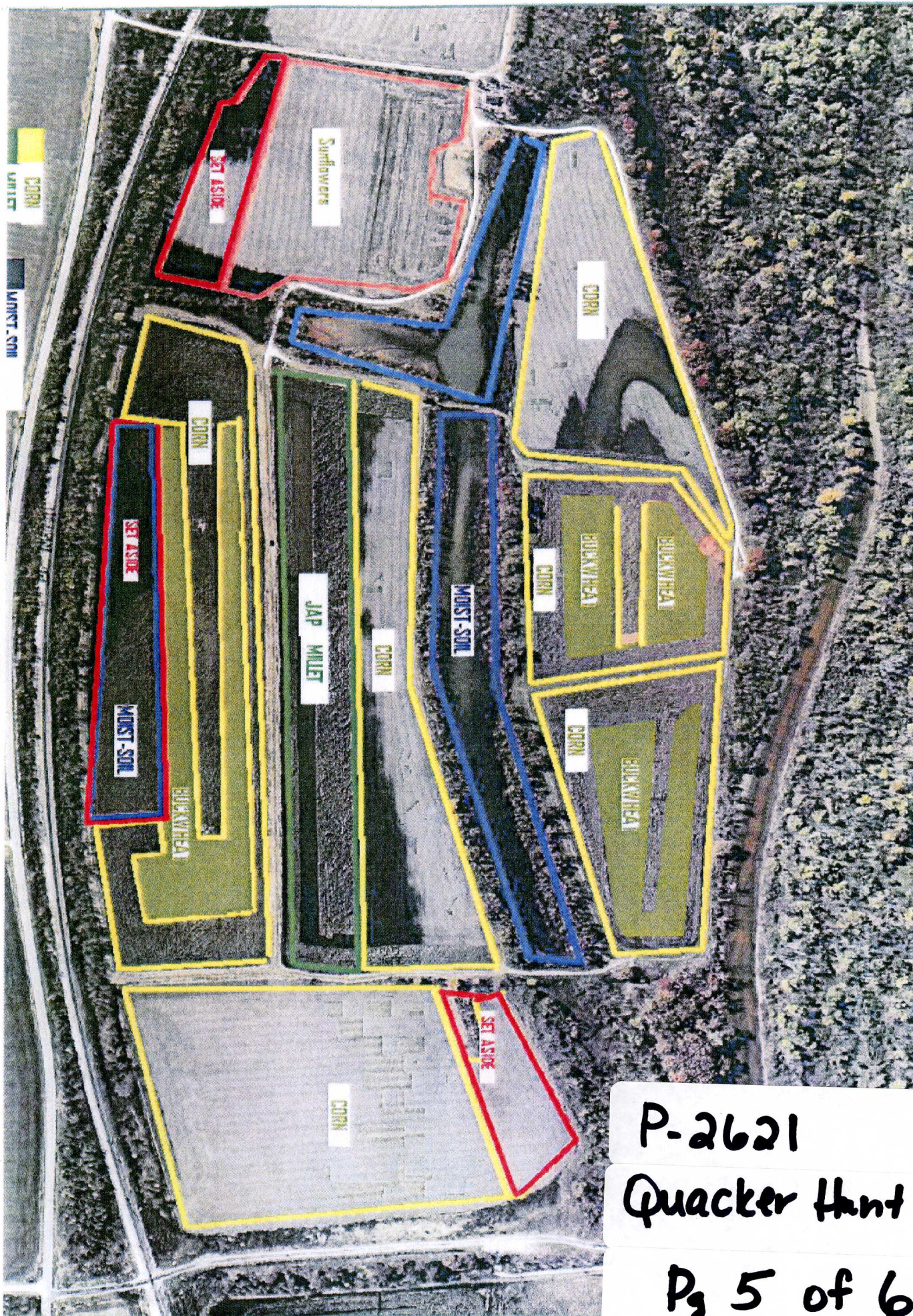
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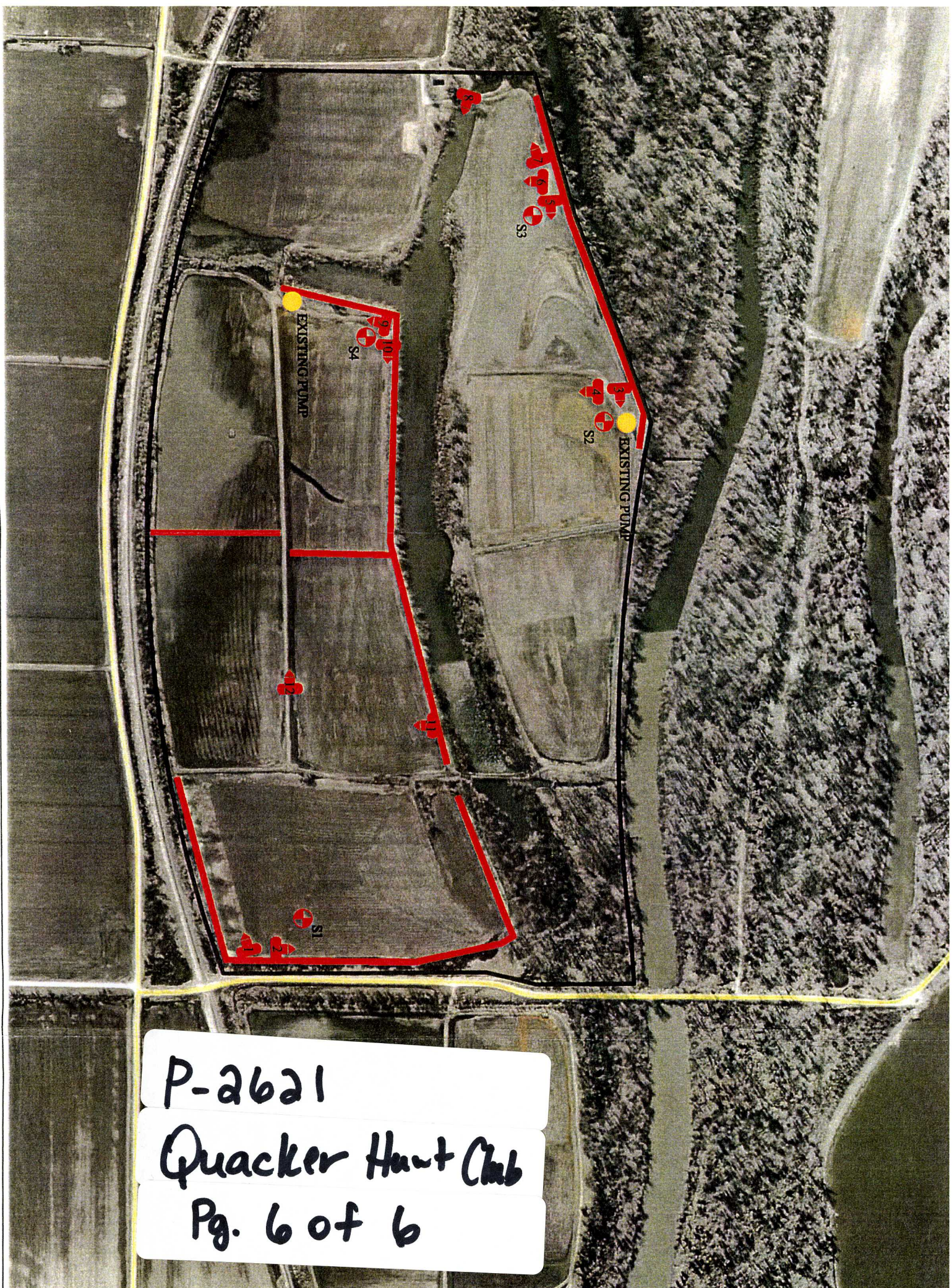






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